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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of)
BREAKER et al.) Art Unit: 1635
Application No. 10/669,162) Examiner: Zara, Jane
Filing Date: September 22, 2003) Confirmation No. 4368
For: RIBOSWITCHES, METHODS FOR THEIR USE, AND COMPOSITIONS FOR USE WITH RIBOSWITCHES)))

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed April 21, 2006, please consider the following remarks.

Remarks

Response to Restriction Requirement

In the Office Action mailed April 21, 2006, the claims were divided into four groups, Group I, claims 1-7, drawn to a method of regulatable gene expression constructs comprising riboswitches; Group II, claims 8-11, drawn to a methods of detection; Group III, claims 12-18, drawn to a methods of inhibiting gene expression; Group IV, claim 19, drawn to a method of identifying riboswitches.